places along the sea-coast were not sufficiently protected from contamination, and that, as a result thereof, the villages were always liable to out-breaks of cholera. He therefore suggested that wells should be sunk on good sites near the villages with parapet walls, impervious platform and sides to be lined with cement from the bottom of the well to the surface to prevent sub-soil pollution. There should be drains to carry away waste water from the wells. The wells should be provided with clean buckets etc. If the above wells were costly, he suggested that tube wells might be supplied. He requested that the question of the maintenance of the existing wells and of the construction of new wells in villages where there were none should receive the early attention of the Government.

Dewan's reply.—9 wells have already been sunk for the use of the sea-coast villages and the question of providing more wells is under investigation by the Sanitary and Public Works Departments. The matter will be considered.

67. The conversion of certain six feet traces in the Nedumangad taluk into roads.

Mr. Kumaraswami Veeriaperumal Pillai (Member, Nedumangad taluk) requested that the following six feet traces might be converted into roads in the interests of the inhabitants of Nedumangad :—

(1) Trace from Nedumangad Taluk Cutcherry to Anad to Kallar road—3½ miles.

(2) Trace from Nedumangad to Aruvikarai—3 miles.

Dewan's reply.—Noted.

68. The need for two roads and a bridge in the Chirayinkil taluk.

Mr. G. Ramakrishna Kurup (Member, Chirayinkil taluk) requested that the following traces might be improved and rendered cartable:—

(1) Trace from Madavur to Kilimanoor.

(2) Trace from Dalavapuram to Attingal.

As regards the first road, the Member said that the people of Madavur, Pallikal and other places disposed of the produce of those places at Kilimanoor and had great difficulties in doing so on account of the want of a cartable road. The proposed road would serve the public convenience to a very great extent. The second road would be a shorter distance to Warkalai from Attingal than the existing road.

He also pointed out that the want of a bridge in the Ayirur river on the road from Warkalai to Paripalli *via* Nadayara was a serious difficulty to the people especially in the rainy season. On behalf of the traders, merchants, the school-going population and the general public, he requested that the above bridge might be sanctioned at an early date.

Dewan's reply.—Noted.

69. Improvement of certain village roads in the Quilon taluk.

Mr. D. Govindan Valiathan (Member, Quilon taluk) requested that the following two village roads might be converted into cart roads in the interests of the large number of inhabitants of the Perinad and Thrikadavoor *pakuthies* :—

(1) Road from Kottayathu kadavu to Elampallur ; and

(2) Road from the Quilon Railway station to Kannanallur *via* Ayathil and Pattathanam.

He also presented two memorials from the said inhabitants, one praying for the early conversion of the first road and the other for a grant to the local Native Dispensary.

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